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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references A) to C) which were cited in a German Office Action issued by the German Patent Office with regard to the corresponding German patent application No. 102 61 534.9. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

	Country:	Patent or Appl. No:	Patentee or Applicant:	Issue or Filing Date:
A)	France	FR 2 366 180	Cebal	04-28-1978
B)	France	FR 2 372 090	Cebal	06-23-1978
C)	Japan	JP 61 176433	Takeuchi Press	08-08-1986

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Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

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In addition, applicant notes with respect to any information that is not in English language as follows:

With respect to Publication A), reference is made to Figs. 1, 3, 5, 6 and accompanying description on page 1, lines 7, 14, page 3, lines 25-34, page 4, lines 13-16.

With respect to Publication B), reference is made to Figs. 1, 3, 5, 6.

Reference C) describes a bottomed, cylindrical metallic can whose vicinity of opening is provided with necking and curling and pressing its body in the radial direction while supporting the opening and the vicinity of bottom in the axial direction. The vicinity 7 of the opening 2 of the cylindrical metallic can 1 has a bottom provided with impact extrusion A, and includes necking B by jigs 3, 4 and is further provided with curling C, to form the opening 2 into a circular shape of high strength. Further, its shoulder part 5 and the vicinity of its bottom are drawn D1, D2 into a tapered prescribed shape to enhance the rigidities of them. Next, its body 6 is pressed Q (E) in the radial direction by jigs into a prescribed elliptic shape, by supporting the shoulder part 5 and the vicinity of bottom while preventing them from elongating in the axial direction.

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The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

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